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SUBJECT: BANGLADESH AMBASSADOR SIDDIQI AND BDG PERM REP
TO UN MAKE CALLS ON DEPARTMENT

1. ON JULY 26 BANGLADESH AMBASSADOR SIDDIQI MADE FAREWELL
CALL ON DEPUTY SECRETARY CHRISTOPHER. AFTER WISHING
AMBASSADOR WELL FOLLOWING HIS RETURN TO BANGLADESH, THE
DEPUTY SECRETARY COMMENTED FAVORABLY ON THE RECENTLY-HELD
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION AND NOTED THE PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS
PLANNED FOR BANGLADESH LATER IN YEAR. HE ALSO OBSERVED
IMPROVED HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN BANGLADESH AND AMBASSADOR
REPLIED THAT MORE THAN 400 PRISONERS HAVE JUST BEEN RE-
LEASED. IN DISCUSSION OF BDG/GUB AGREEMENT RE PROBLEM OF
MUSLIMS FROM BURMA IN BANGLADESH, AMBASSADOR EXPRESSED HIS
PESSIMISM THAT AGREEMENT WILL HAVE ANY MEANING SINCE MOST
OF REFUGEES LACK DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED TO ESTABLISH THAT
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THEY HOLD BURMESE CITIZENSHIP.

2. ALSO ON JULY 26, BANGLADESH PER REP TO UN, AMBASSADOR
KAISER PAID 20-MINUTE COURTESY CALL ON ASSISTANT SECRETARY
HOLBROOK. BULK OF CONVERSATION WAS DEVOTED TO KAISER'S
ANECDOTAL REFERENCES TO HIS SERVICE AS PAKISTANI AMBASSADOR
IN CHINA. ABOUT THE ONLY MENTION OF CURRENT SUBSTANTIVE

MATTER CAME WHEN, IN RESPONSE TO HOLBROOK'S QUESTION ON

CURRENT STATUS OF THE MUSLIMS FROM BURMA, KAISER PRO-
NOUNCED MATTER AS "FINISHED". CHRISTOPHER

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